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REMARKS

Applicants wish to delete the portion of paragraph [0007] which reads "..., including the insertion of tin into mesoporphyrin IX,..." The publication Fischer and Neumann, Ann. Chem. (1932), 494, 225, does not appear to describe this specific type of reaction with mesoporphyrin IX. Applicants regret the error. A minor typographical error in the name of a publisher is also corrected in this amendment.

In an exchange of telephone messages between Examiner Ward and the undersigned agent on Friday, August 24, 2007 and Monday, August 27, 2007, Examiner Ward indicated that the case was allowable; the undersigned agent asked about making the amendment to the specification as indicated above; Examiner Ward requested that an amendment be sent to him via facsimile; and the undersigned agent confirmed that the amendment would be sent. The Applicants and the undersigned agent appreciate the Examiner's time and courtesy.

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CONCLUSION

In the event the U.S. Patent and Trademark office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, Applicants petition for any required relief including extensions of time and authorize the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to Deposit Account No. 03-1952 referencing docket no. 606952000420. However, the Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

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